## **AUSTRALIAN BRIDGE** 4. BASIC RESPONSES FEDERATION LTD. Jump raises - minors Over 1♣ = GF, ♣ and another suit; Over 1♦ = 0-5 points, 5+ ♦ STANDARD SYSTEM CARD Jump raises - Majors 0-5 points, 5+ in major ABF Nos. 155470 Malcolm Carter Jump shifts after minor opening GF, 5+ suit, unbalanced & Names: 29750 **Tony Hutton** Jump shifts after Major opening GF, various 5/5s Basic System: Fantunes Responses to strong 2 suit open. n/a Classification: Green Red X Blue Brown Sticker Yellow Puppet Stayman, transfers Responses to 2NT opening 1. OPENING BIDS Describe strength, min.length, or specific meaning Canapé 5. PLAY CONVENTIONS 1♣ 14+ points, 2+ ♣ 1♥ 11+ points, 5+ ♥ Versus Suit Versus **NoTrump** (if different) (or both) Show priorities 1♦ 14+ points, (4)5+ ♦, unablanced hand 1♠ 11+ points, 5+ ♠ **Leads** Sequences: Overlead all 1NT 12-14 HP, balanced or semi balanced may contain 5 card Major Four or more with an honour 4th highest 1NT Responses 2♣ Simple Stayman 2nd highest From 4 small 2♠ Transfer to ♣ 2 ◆ Transfer to ♥ MUD From 3 cards (no honour) 2NT Transfer to ♦ 2♥ Transfer t ♠ As above In partner's suit (Dbl) XX = Stayman, other bids = natural other Reverse attitude; Reverse count **Discards** 2♣ 10-13 points, 5+ ♣, unbalanced Count Reverse Low encourage (or rev. count) 2♦ 10-13 points, 5+ ♦, unbalanced **Signal** on partner's lead: Signal on declarer's lead: Reverse count 2♥ 10-13 points, 5+ ♥, unbalanced Notes We attempt to play the signal that we believe will be most useful to partner 2♠ 10-13 points, 5+ ♠, unbalanced 3NT Specific Ace ask 2NT 21-22 HCP, balanced other 6. SLAM CONVENTIONS 4. Gerber 4♣ and 4♦ Minorwood 2. PRE-ALERTS Transfer responses to 1♣ Negative free bids up to 2♠ and over WJO **4NT:** Blackwood **X** RKCB 1430 Cue Bids X First or second round controls Mini 2NT majors raise 1 level openings are forcing Asking Bids 3. COMPETITIVE BIDS / OVERCALLS 7. OTHER CONVENTIONS Doubles Standard takeout doubles: Negative DBL thru Gazilli (1M-1NT-2♣; 1♥-1♠-2♣) Penalty X of overcalls of our opening 2's Splinter bids Responsive DBL thru Fit showing jump responses to our overcalls Jump overcalls Intermediate Unusual NT Lower suits (re-opening) 10-13 HCP 1NT overcall: (immediate) 15-18 HCP, with stop Immediate cue: (minor) 5+/5+ ♥/♠, weak or strong (Major) 5+/5+ M/m, weak or strong Over: Weak Twos X Opening Threes X Opponent's transfers X = suit bid, bid of implied suit = takeout www.abf.com.au Opponent's 1NT X of strong NT = single suited hand; X of weak NT = penalty PDF Form Rev. 21E09 by RoL MyRev. 11 May 2021 Bid of a suit = that suit + a higher suit Copyright © ABF 2021

## 8. RESPONSES TO OPENING BIDS

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1♣ 1♦	0-11 points, 4+ ♥	2	GF, 5+ ♦, unbalanced	3	GF, 5+/5+ <b>∀</b> /♠
1♥	0-11 points, 4+ ♠	2	GF, 5+ ♥, unbalanced	<b>3</b>	GF, 5+/5+ <b>♦/♥</b>
1♠	0-11 points, no major	2	GF, 5+ ♠, unbalanced	3 <b>♠</b>	GF, 5+/5+ <b>♦</b> / <b>♠</b>
1NT	GF, balanced	2NT	GF, 5M, balanced	3NT	n/a
2♣	GF, 5+ ♣, unbalanced	3 <b>-</b>	GF, 5+/5+ with ♣	4	Minorwood
other					
1♦ 1♥	0-9 points, 4+ ♥	2	GF, 5+ ♥, unbalanced	3 <b>Y</b>	GF, 5+/5+ <b>♣</b> /♥
1♠	0-9 points, 4+ ♠	2	GF, 5+ ♠, unbalanced	3 <b>♠</b>	GF, 5+/5+ <b>♣</b> / <b>♠</b>
1NT	0-9 points, no major	2NT	GF, 5M, balanced	3NT	n/a
2♣	GF, ♣, or ♦, or bal	3 <b>-</b>	GF, 5+/5+ <b>∀</b> /♠	4 <b>♣</b>	Splinter
2	0-5 points, 5+♠ & 4+H	3	0-5 points, 5+ ◆	4	Minorwood
other					
1♥ 1♠	0-9 points, 4+ ♠	2	3-6 points, 3+ ♥	3	GF, 5+/5+ <b>♦</b> / <b>♠</b>
1NT	0-9 points, natural	2	GF, 5+ ♠	<b>3</b>	0-5 points, 5+ ♥
2♣	10+ points, enquiry	2NT	5-11 points, 3+ ♥	3 <b>♠</b>	GF, 5+/5+ <b>♣</b> / <b>♦</b>
2	GF, 5+ ◆	3 <b>-</b>	GF, 5+/5+ ♣/♠	3NT	<b>♥</b> KQxxxx + side sglton
other	•				
1♠ 1NT	0-9 points, natural	2	3-6 points, 3+ ♠	3	GF, 5/5+, <b>♣</b> /♦
2	10+ points, enquiry	2NT	5-11 points, 3+ ♠	<b>3♠</b>	0-5 points, 5+ ♠
2	GF, 5+ ◆	3 <b>-</b>	GF, 5+/5+ <b>♣</b> /♥	3NT	<b>★</b> KQxxxx + side sglton
2	GF, 5+ ♥	3	GF, 5+/5+ ◆/♥	4 <b>♣</b>	Splinter
other	•				
1NT 3♣	Asks for 5 card major	3	6+ ♠, slam try	4	Minorwood
3◆	6+ ♦, slam try	3NT	To play	<b>4</b>	To play
3 <b>Y</b>	6+ ♥, slam try	4 <b>♣</b>	Minorwood	4	To play
other	•				
2♣ 2♦	Relay, inv or better	2NT	5+/5+ ♥/♠, inv or better	3 💙	5+ ♥, invitational
2	5+ ♥, to play	3 <b>-</b>	To play	<b>3♠</b>	5+ ♠, invitational
2	5+ ♠, to play	3	6+ ♦, invitational	3NT	To play
other					
2♦ 2♥	Relay, inv or better	3♣	5+ ♣, invitational	3 <b>^</b>	6+ ♠, invitational
2	5+/5+ ♥/♠, inv or better	3	To play	3NT	To play
_	Puppet to 3♣	3	_ ' '		Splinter
other					
Votes					

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	Relay, inv or better		6+ ♦, invitational		To play			
2NT	5+ ♠, inv or better	3	To play	4	Splinter			
3♣	6+ ♣, invitational	3 <b>♠</b>	Splinter	4	Splinter			
other								
2 <b>♠</b> 2NT	Relay, inv or better	3	6+ ♣, invitational	4	Splinter			
3♣	5+ ♥, inv or better	3	To play	4	Splinter			
3◆	6+ ♦, invitational	3NT	To play	4	To play			
other								
2NT 3♣	Puppet Stayman	3	5/4 ♠/♥	4	Minorwood			
3◆	Transfer to ♥	3NT	To play	4	To play			
3♥	Transfer to ♠	4	Minorwood	4	To play			
other								
9. C	ONVENTIONS							
Unusual NT: 5+/5+, lower suits, weak or strong								
4th Suit	Game force X							
NT Cha	Priorities:							

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4th Suit Forcing One round Game force									
NT Checkback Priorities:									
Defence to 3NT opening Natural									
<b>Defence to Opening Twos</b> X = takeout; 2NT = 15-18 HCP									
Multi 2♦ X = ♦, 2NT = minors, 2M = takeout with shortage in suit bid									
RCO style 2-s Suit = takeout with shortage in suit bid									
Other 2-s									
<b>Defence</b> (1♣) X = takeout to majors, 1NT = takeout to minors, weak jump overcalls	;								
to									
strong (2♣) X of artificial suits = overcall in that suit	(2♣) X of artificial suits = overcall in that suit								
14/24									

Over 1NT Interference Lebensohl

Lebensohl - other uses After X of a weak 2

**Take out of 4 level pre-empts** 44/4 X = general values, 4NT = two places to play

4♥ X, 4NT as over 4m

4♠ X, 4NT as over 4m

## 10. OTHER NOTES